





**HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.**  
ARSON CUP AND SPOONS.  
A COMPETITION for the above will be held to-morrow, (SATURDAY), the 22nd instant, commencing at 3 P.M.  
RANGES—250, 500 and 600 yards.  
Seven Shots and one Slighter.  
ENTRANCE FEE for Spoon—30 cents.  
The Secretary will be glad to receive subscriptions, limited to \$1 for each Cup, for two Handicap Cups, one Long Range and one Short Range. The Handicaps have now been received and Members may obtain their points on application to the Secretary.  
The RANGE is engaged on SUNDAY MORNING from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M.  
MOWBRAY'S, NORTHCOLE,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, 21st October, 1898. [35]

**GOVERNMENT BILLS.**  
TENDERS FOR SPECIE—MEXICAN DOLLARS. Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M. on TUESDAY, the 25th instant.  
The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.  
The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."  
The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.  
E. H. GORGES,  
Colonel,  
Chief Paymaster, China.  
Her Majesty's Treasury Office,  
Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, 21st October, 1898. [1263]

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.  
The Company's Chartered Steamship  
"KONGHONG,"  
Captain Joshi, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at Noon, and not as previously notified.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LARRAK & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 21st October, 1898. [1150]


**MOGUL-WARRA-KEMURAN LINE.**  
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
The Steamship  
"CHAZER,"  
will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 25th instant, at 10 A.M.  
S.S. "BRAEMAR" about 14th Dec, 1898.  
S.S. "ENERGIA" " " 31st Dec, 1898.  
S.S. "MOGUL" " " 15th Jan, 1899.  
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AERATED WATERS.  
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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a daily qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.  
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MEN'S and all Large Consumers.  
Any complaints should be addressed to the Manager.  
Hongkong, 21st March, 1897. [35]

**THE LEADING CATERERS.**  
COMPARE OUR  
MENU, BILLIARD TABLES and  
LIQUORS to all others.  
THE GRILL ROOM.  
Hongkong, 21st September, 1897. [39]

**KUHN & KOMOR, JAPANESE FINE ART CURTOS,**  
21 & 23, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG,  
35, WATER STREET, YOKOHAMA  
and  
35, DIVISION STREET, KOREA.  
Hongkong, 15th March, 1896. [24]

**AN APPEAL.**  
THE SUPERIORES of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CANE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.  
Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.  
Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery. Materials can be supplied, if required.  
The Superiores will also be most grateful for any PAPERS, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.  
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1893. [190]

**Intimation.**  
  
**A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.**  
MANUFACTURERS OF  
**AERATED WATERS.**

AERATED WATERS of our manufacture are sold throughout the Far East and are invariably preferred on account of their excellence. Absolute Purity is guaranteed. The best materials only are used. The Prices are only half those charged in England.

WATERS MANUFACTURED BY US are acknowledged by the leading English makers to be equal to those of their own production.

SIR EDWARD FRANKLAND, K.C.B., D.C.L., F.R.S., F.C.S., &c. the greatest living authority on Water, reports as follows on the water as prepared and used by us in our manufacture:—

"It possesses an extremely high degree of organic purity and is of most excellent quality for drinking."

During the Summer Months, all AERATED WATERS should be kept in a cool place, preferably in an Ice Chest or Refrigerator, until required for use. The Bottles should be stored with the necks downward so that the corks are covered by the water. This will prevent an escape of gas taking place, and rendering the waters more or less flat.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.**  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1851.  
15th September, 1898. [7]

**DEATH.**  
At Shanghai, on the 14th of October, 1898, ANNIE, the beloved wife of John Gillies, aged 37 years.

**TRAFFALGAR DAY.**  
To-day, being the anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar, and the death of England's greatest hero, Admiral Lord NELSON, we take the opportunity of congratulating the Navy League in general, and our Local Branch of that Institution in particular, on the good work which they have done in impressing alike upon the Government and the Public the great necessity for our Navy being maintained at an adequate fighting strength and also the importance of the defence of the outlying portions of the Empire. "England expects the every man will do his duty" was the signal of our hero, and the Navy League, to a man, have acted upon it.

Our latest war scare appears to be developing and following the course of its predecessors. The French papers admit that great activity prevails at Toulon, that a number of warships are receiving a full complement of provisions and war material and that several transports have already embarked bedding. Also the furlough of officers has been revoked. These last two items, the revocation of officers' furlough and the embarkation of bedding by transports, certainly appear to be suspicious. The transports are presumably for the conveyance of troops somewhere and at the present moment when we are at loggerheads with France over the occupation of Fashoda by a French force any such action is bound to be looked upon in the light of a preparation for the invasion of England. But then comes the fact that these preparations are all taking place at Toulon on the Mediterranean sea-board of France and no mention is made of activity prevailing at the Channel ports. This being the case it seems probable that France may contemplate proceeding against us in Egypt, if indeed she has any such action in view, for it can scarcely be imagined that troops would be despatched for a descent upon the English coast from Toulon and thus have to run the gauntlet of the Straits of Gibraltar.

However, for all we know to the contrary preparations for war may be proceeding with equal rapidity at the Channel ports, but it is strange, if such be the case, that the fact should have been overlooked. It is to Rochefort, Lorient and Brest, on the Atlantic coast and to Cherbourg, on the Channel coast that we must look for activity when there is reason to fear that a descent upon the English coast is meditated by France, for these naval stations lie within easy striking distance of our shores and would certainly form the bases from which any invading force or forces would operate. It is at these ports troops

would be collected and where the fleets of torpedo-boats and destroyers, which it is understood would be sent out nightly to prey upon the English coast towns and ports, would mobilize, though in all probability any such action would be preceded by the interruption of telegraphic communication between France and England. Still, though the Toulon preparations can hardly be considered to indicate the desire for the invasion of England they should be carefully watched.

The crisis, if crisis it may be called, has now reached the stage at which statesmen make reference to it in their speeches. Reuter reports that the Duke of Devonshire is unable to believe that the Fashoda Incident will lead to a dispute with France and that he considers it satisfactory to know that British rights will not be frittered away by negotiations. Does this mean that Great Britain intends to stand firm? If such should prove to be the case then there is nothing left for France to do but fight or admit her error and retire from Fashoda. We do not fancy that it will come to blows; these little misunderstandings between nations are becoming so common nowadays that one does not look for anything more than a trifle of bluster on either side to be followed by "mutual concessions" and an amicable agreement. Still it is passing strange that on this day of all others, the anniversary of Trafalgar, we should be forced to discuss the possibility of war with our neighbours, but ancient enemies, the French. We should like to know what effect the Trafalgar Day celebrations at home will have upon our somewhat hot-headed neighbours. They are said to have taken them in a bad spirit before and there is still a possibility that this might prove the turning point in deciding for peace or war.

## TELEGRAMS.

### REUTER'S MESSAGES.

**FRANCE.**  
LONDON, October 19th.  
Despite a half hearted denial, some of the French newspapers report extraordinary activity at Toulon. A number of war-ships are receiving a full complement of provisions and war material, and several transports have already embarked bedding. The furlough of officers has been revoked. Dockyard men are working at night and steam trials are being hastened.

**THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE ON THE SITUATION.**  
The Duke of Devonshire speaking at Glasgow, said that he was unable to believe the Fashoda incident would lead to a dispute with France and that it was satisfactory to know British rights would not be frittered away by negotiations.

**OCCUPATION OF PUERTO RICO.**  
CANTON is complete.

**PROGRESS OF THE GERMAN EMPEROR.**  
The Emperor and Empress of Germany have arrived at Constantinople and have been received by the Sultan with the greatest cordiality.

**THE DEPARTURE OF MR. YANO.**  
TOKYO, October 18th.  
Mr. Yano, the Japanese Minister to Peking, and Mr. Ogata, the Consul at Shanghai, will leave this on the 19th inst. for their respective posts.

**COUNCIL IN TOKYO.**  
TOKYO, October 18th.  
Munshi Saigo, the Minister for the Navy, Viscount Kuroda, the Minister for War, General Kawakami, the President of the General Army Staff Department, Admiral Ito, the President of the Naval Staff Department, and Mr. Yano, the Minister to Peking, held a conference at the official residence of Count Okuma this morning.

**JAPAN'S POLICY.**  
TOKYO, October 18th.  
It is reported that the Japanese Cabinet Council is at this time considering the effect of the independent policy in the present crisis, taking up a friendly attitude towards China.

**PREPARATIONS FOR EMERGENCIES.**  
TOKYO, October 18th.  
The standing squadron is ready to sail at a moment's notice, in case the situation in China requires its presence.

**COREA.**  
ILLNESS OF THE CROWN PRINCE.  
TOKYO, October 17th.  
A Seoul telegram dated 9th has been received to the effect that the Crown Prince's illness has become serious.

**RUSSIA AND CHINA.**  
THE COSSACKS' NEW OUTPOST.  
TOKYO, October 17th.  
The Cossacks that have entered Peking would appear, judging by the preparations now being made for shelter, fodder, etc., to expect to remain there permanently.

**AFTER THE WAR.**  
THE HISPANO-AMERICAN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.  
TOKYO, October 17th.  
According to the latest Paris telegrams, the Peace Conference is now observing the strictest secrecy and nothing can be ascertained regarding the progress of the negotiations. However, there is no doubt the U.S. Committee are strictly adhering to the President's views. If the opinions of the different members of the committee be considered, it will be seen that Mr. Day, ex-Minister of the State Department, is personally of anti-Anexionist views, although he feels compelled to support the Government movement as a member of the Government Party. He is the most influential member of the committee, and every word he utters carries immense weight with his colleagues' opinions. Senators Davis and Whitelaw Reid are both Anexionists. The Anexionists, who are in a majority on the committee, are in fact in agreement with national feeling. General Merritt joins the Conference merely in an advisory capacity.

**THE PLOT THAT FAILED.**  
EXECUTION OF PROMINENT COREANS.  
SEOUL, October 17th, 4.45 p.m.  
Kim Hui Yek, Ko Shook, Kim Shooka have been executed by hanging for complicity in con-

dition with the recent attempt to poison the Emperor. The wife of Kim Hui Yek has been sentenced to 100 lashes and 3 years' imprisonment. Eight others were sentenced to 100 lashes each. The execution of the three men mentioned took place yesterday morning before daylight. Last night their remains were drawn around the streets after having been practically severed in two. The remains are still exposed in the Prison.—*Osaka Asahi.*

**DISTURBANCES IN PEKING.**  
POPULAR VIEWS OF THE SITUATION.  
TOKYO, October 17th.  
A Peking telegram of the 10th reports that numerous disturbances have occurred there, the people generally regarding the arrival of foreign troops in the capital as a sign of the dismemberment of the Empire.

**THE CENTRE OF DEPRESSION.**  
WARSHIPS AT TAKU.  
TOKYO, October 17th.  
There are now at Taku two British torpedo-boat destroyers, one British battleship, one American warship, one German gunboat. The Italian cruiser *Marco Polo* was due at Taku on the 11th. The *Oshima* and *Yashima* are at Taku; the former was to have left on arrival of the *Suma* but owing to the disturbed state of affairs will not be relieved for the present.—*Osaka Asahi.*

**RIISING IN HUNAN.**  
ANTI-MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.  
TOKYO, October 17th.  
Armed rioters have assembled at Chosang, Hunan, and defied the authorities. The Governor-General has dispatched forces to suppress the rising but without avail. Their avowed object is to massacre the foreign missionaries.—*Osaka Asahi.*

**WEATHER REPORT.**  
The Observatory report to-day says:—On the 21st at 11.50 a.m.: The barometer has risen on the China coast generally. The depression has either filled up in the Formosa Channel, or recurred over N. Formosa. In the North, a depression is moving Eastwards in the E. part of the Sea of Japan. Pressure is highest in N. China. FORECAST:—N. E. wind, moderate to fresh, fine.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE German cruiser *Tirpitz* arrived from Singapore to-day.

THE Post Office cases were brought before Commander Hastings to-day. Mr. Slade argued at great length and the cases were remanded till Friday next.

LAST night H.M.S. *Immortalité* was splendidly illuminated in honour of her centenary and the band played appropriate naval tunes. The illumination was of the rainbow pattern with a large set piece bearing the figures 1798.

ACCORDING to a Newchwang dispatch to the *Universal Gazette* the withdrawal of the forces of General Sung Ching by secret edict from that port to Shanhaikwan will encourage the bandits, hitherto kept in bay by General Sung, to make frequent attacks on the foreign settlements and the protection of the coast.

THE *Kobe Herald* has the following amusing version of a recent Reuter's telegram:—  
STRIKE OF ARCHITECTS IN PARIS.  
60,000 Troops Held in Readiness.

In Paris a strike of architects on a great scale has occurred. Last Saturday (8th), their number was 40,000, but to-day it has reached 60,000 perhaps.

THE Band of the K. O. L. Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock:—  
Overture "Mazurka".....Wallace.  
Selection "Les Huguenots".....Mayer.  
Romance "Les Huguenots".....Mayer.  
Selection "Les Huguenots".....Mayer.  
Intermezzo "Les Huguenots".....Mayer.  
Selection "Les Huguenots".....Mayer.  
Valse "Les Huguenots".....Mayer.

It is stated from Peking that when Sir Chang Yin-huan, the ex-Vice-President of the Board of Revenue, started for his long journey to Kashgar the other day, the only persons who went to see him off at the West gate were his foreign friends from the various legations, but that of the thousands and one men who had been his colleagues and dependants not a single soul was visible in the vicinity on that day.

It appears, according to the *Sinwupao*, that the survey of the proposed railway between Canton and Hankow will soon be commenced, as arrangements have already been made for the work by the Chinese officials who are now only waiting for the arrival of the American engineers recommended for the purpose by H.E. Wu Ting-fang, Chinese Minister at Washington. A telegram, it is asserted was sent the other day to Washington hastening the departure of the engineers from the U.S.

A PEKING dispatch states that the Grand Secretary Jung Lu, Generalissimo of the Imperial forces in Chihli province, has ordered the transfer of the Naval and Military Pay Departments, hitherto established at Tientsin, to Peking, where the huge sums of money quarterly transmitted from the eighteen provinces for these departments may be under H.E.'s personal superintendence. Only a branch office will be left at Tientsin to transmit the pay of the soldiers and sailors to the north to their commanding officers.—*N. C. D. News.*

TO-MORROW at 11.30 a.m. one of the most important cricket matches of the season will be begun—viz. that against the Garrison. The game will be resumed on Monday at 3 or 3.30 if necessary demands—one league must be finished. The following is the Club team:—A. S. Anton, H. Smith, R.N.; P. A. Cox, H. Hancock, C.M.E. Burial, Lieut. Suter, R.N.; J. A. Lowson, T. Sercombe Smith, E. Maht.  
The Band of the K.O.R. will play during Saturday afternoon.

THERE will be a pick-up match to-morrow commencing at 2 p.m. at the Happy Valley. Members of the Cricketers' Club are requested to attend.

The band of the K. O. L. Regiment will play the following programme at the Hongkong Cricket Ground to-morrow, commencing at 3 p.m.:—  
March "The Stars".....Tyrrell.  
Overture "The Stars".....Tyrrell.  
Selection "The Stars".....Tyrrell.  
Romance "The Stars".....Tyrrell.  
Selection "The Stars".....Tyrrell.  
Intermezzo "The Stars".....Tyrrell.  
Selection "The Stars".....Tyrrell.  
Valse "The Stars".....Tyrrell.

SOME surprise was felt among the theatregoers in Peking, writes the native correspondent of the *N. C. D. News*, during the recent coup d'état at the sudden disappearance of several well-known and famous actors who frequently played before the Emperor in the Palace Theatre. It has now become known that the head of the troupe, under directions from one of the Emperor's confidential eunuchs, smuggled into the palace, one day, a suit of European clothing, hat, boots, etc., for the Emperor's use. These clothes were discovered by the Empress Dowager and enquiries were set on foot as to how they had got into the "Forbidden Precincts." The actors heard of this and so cleared out of the capital at once.

News has reached the *N. C. D. News* from reliable sources at Peking that the Grand Secretary and Generalissimo Jung Lu has, with the consent of the Empress-Dowager, ordered 10,000 men into Peking, drawn from the two army corps of Yuan Shih-kai and Nieh Szeh-sheng, who are supposed to command the best drilled troops in the Peking. These 10,000 men are to form Jung Lu's personal guards and special instructions were sent to Yuan and Nieh to pick out the best men under them who must be prepared to obey orders arising from any emergency. With the recent disposition of the troops in Chihli and Newchwang noted in these columns, the other day, and the present movement of such a large body of men into Peking where there are already 50,000 men composing the Peking Field Force, Imperial guards, Banner Corps, and Chinese Green Banner regiments, the general opinion of the Chinese in the North and also in the Yangtze Valley is that they denote real foreign alarm, which have raised high the expectations of the reactionists and enemies of reform. Another opinion of Chinese who are friends of reform is that the bringing in of these 10,000 men is meant to show the emperors that a counter-check is intended to the entrance of the Legation guards, and that the Empress-Dowager and Jung Lu are prepared to assist the Peking rowdies and stiffen if any serious trouble arises between them and the Legation guards.

The official trial trip of the steamer *Halling*, owned by Messrs. Marly and d'Abbadie, took place yesterday. A large number of friends responded to invitations from Monsieur and Madame Marly, including Dr. and Mrs. Bateson Wright, the Spanish, Belgian and American Consuls, Mr. R. Cook (Assistant Manager of the Suez Company), Capt. Burale, Mrs. Setb, Mr. D. MacDonald and a number of other ladies and gentlemen. The party proceeded from Peking's Wharf in a Dock launch to Hongkong and when the *Halling* hove in sight one could scarcely believe that the trim and smart looking craft had at one time been the hulk *Ningchow*. The weather was propitious and a most pleasant and enjoyable outing was the result. The route taken was to Waglan round Lama Island and back. The picturesque beauty of the coast and headlands could be seen to excellent advantage during the greater part of the voyage. While nearing Lama Island an adjournment was made to the cosy little saloon where several toasts were drunk, including "Success of the *Halling*," "Monsieur and Madame Marly," "The Dock Company," "The Ladies," "The Visitors," etc. On the way back an impromptu concert was held in the saloon where there was a great deal of merry-making. A large number of the leading Chinese merchants were on board and they were extremely delighted with the voyage. The *Halling* is one of the three vessels of Bonneritz & Co. bought by Mr. Marly from the Chinese Government. She was placed in the hands of the Dock Company and underwent very extensive alterations which were superintended by Mr. MacDonald (of the firm of Kighorn and MacDonald). The *Halling* was originally the *Cass*, built in 1888 by Hawthorn and Leslie, Newcastle-on-Tyne. She is a twin-screw steam steamer with triple expansion engines. Her dimensions are as follows:—Length 250 ft., width 34.2 ft., depth 18 ft. Her gross tonnage is 1394 tons and net 705. She is commanded by Captain Jensen and carries the French flag.

ARRIVAL OF AN EX-CHINESE MINISTER.  
H.E. Shu Yina Kwai, ex-Minister of the Tang-shi Yamen arrived here by the French mail *Natal* to-day from Peking, via Shanghai. A representative of the *Telegraph* called at Thomas' Grill Room (where the disingenuous visit is staying) this morning, requesting an interview, but learned that His Excellency was "too tired" and besides he had nothing important to communicate to the Press. The "Inter-medial," an intelligent and fairly well educated Chairman in the staff of the ex-Minister, in reply to certain questions said that His Excellency was a neutral factor in the political crisis at Peking—he has neither extended his sympathy to the Reform Party nor was he in favour of the Empress-Dowager and her followers. His departure from the Chinese Capital had no connection whatever with the coup d'état but was in the ordinary course, His Excellency wishing to return to Canton, his native home. He will leave either to-morrow or the day after for the "City of Rome."

[We are very much inclined to think that H.E. Shu Yina Kwai knows a great deal about the coup d'état but is keeping silent from fear of the relentless and unscrupulous Empress-Dowager.—*Ed. HK.T.*]

## THE SEARCH FOR KANG YU-WEI.

AN ADVENTURE OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL AT TIENTSIN.

In the letter from Tientsin, dated 18th September, published by the *Osaka Asahi*, there is a remarkable story showing that the Chinese suspected that the Japanese were assisting Kang Yu-wei to escape. The correspondent says that recently a Japanese came down to Tientsin from Peking and stayed in the Japanese Consulate, Rumour reported that he was Kang Yu-wei, and information to that effect was given to the Chinese authorities, who set a watch on the Consulate.

About 7 p.m. on the 25th inst. Mr. Tel, the Japanese Consul at Tientsin, accompanied by two or three of his friends, started down the Path in a boat on a shooting excursion. Shortly after midnight when the passengers in the boat had fallen asleep, they were awakened by the approach of a Chinese man-of-war, which lowered a boat and sent a party of armed sailors to board the Consul's boat. The Chinese shouted that they wanted a man whom the Japanese had with them, but the Japanese Consul replied that there was no Chinaman on board. The sailors insisted on the arrest of a man whom they took for Kang Yu-wei, and took no notice of Mr. Tel's protests. About two hours thus passed away, the Chinese demanding their man and the Japanese protesting that they had not got him. Thus the Consul's boat went down the river under escort of Chinese armed sailors. Early on the morning of the 26th the boat arrived at a place near Tungkuang, where the Japanese gunboat *Oshima* was found to be lying. Mr. Tel waved his cap and managed to inform the command of his situation, and a boat was at once sent to assist the Consul. On reaching the approach of the Japanese man-of-war's boat, the Chinese sailors retreated, and the Consul and his friends got on board the *Oshima*.

Mr. Tel returned to Tientsin on the same day and protested to the Tientsin against the illegal action of the Chinese man-of-war, but the correspondent does not say what answer was received.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

## DOCTORS FOR THE EMPEROR.

Messrs. Chan and Meh, two foreign-educated Chinese doctors, are expected at the Capital daily. They have been commanded to attend the Emperor who is officially stated to be very ill and unable to attend to the affairs of state, or, as the Empress Dowager is reported to have said, "has been very much overworked of late and needs a complete rest."—*Mercury.*

## IMPERIAL DECREES.

PEKING, 13th October.

THE PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY.  
The direction and construction of the Lu-Han Railway is hereby ordered to be under the joint control of Yü Lu, Viceroy of Chihli, and Chang Chih-tung, Viceroy of the Hukang provinces.  
[Note.—This decree of the Empress-Dowager shows that she has not yet after all, in touch H.E. Chang Chih-tung in spite of H.E.'s well-known liberal views and favour shown to several prominent members of the Reform Party.]

14th October.  
A decree from the Empress-Dowager granting permission to the Viceroy Chang Chih-tung to establish in conjunction with Viceroy Lu bureaux for the encouragement of commerce at Shanghai and Hankow, which shall assist merchants in Soochuan, Shensi, Honan, the Hui-Kuei, Hunan, and Kuangtung provinces in establishing factories and foundries, etc., for the manufacture of goods and railway materials.

October 15th.  
A decree from the Empress-Dowager declaring that any measures whether old or new which are for the advantage of the Empire and beneficial to the people will be in due time inaugurated and rewarded, and that all those who are in the ranks of the Reform Party are permitted to gratify their own private schemes of revenge.

THE EMPRESS-DOWAGER'S LENIENCY.  
With reference to the memorial of Jung Lu, asking to be penalised for recent misdeeds, Chang Pao-shen the ex-Governor of Hunan, the Board of Civil Appointments report that the penalty should be degradation of two steps in rank and removal from his present post. As an act of extra leniency Jung Lu is hereby degraded two steps in rank but is permitted to hold his present post.

With regard to Chang Pao-shen, Literary Chancellor of Kuangtung, who has also handed over to the Board of Civil Appointments for recommending traitors to the throne, the said Board reports that the punishment due to Chang Pao-shen should be loss of rank and office. As an act of extra leniency the said Chang Pao-shen is permitted to retain office, but with the loss of his rank.—*N. C. Daily News.*

## ANOTHER BRITISH PROTEGEE.

SHANGHAI, October 15th.

With the departure of Hwang Kung-tai for Hongkong in the steamer *Wingang* this morning, Great Britain assumed responsibility for the safety of the British fugitive from the wrath of the Empress Dowager. Hwang was not gone, as was given out by the officials, to Shikang in Kwangtung, for which he would have had to embark at Swatow. He is a passenger for Hongkong and will probably share quarters with Kang Yu-wei.

It is perfectly true that Hwang was detained at the Bureau for Foreign Affairs, on the Bubbling Well Road, and a telegraphic instruction from the Capital, it is also true that Tsai Tso-tai and his subordinates, under pain of losing their heads, were obliged to keep an eye on Hwang, out of the withdrawal of the charge against him completely with Kang Yu-wei—never despatched at all, we have no positive evidence. It was sent (it is believed) it was only a disguise, and that eventually Hwang Kung-tai's head would be included among the executioner's trophies.

Some Chinese friends of Hwang on being interviewed this morning are positive in their assertion that notwithstanding the alleged telegraphed withdrawal of the charge against Hwang, another order was received yesterday from Peking that Hwang was to be arrested and taken to his place of death—here or elsewhere on information was unable to say.  
Yesterday morning Hwang left his wife and his friends in Shanghai, intimating that he was going to his home, but he was all the time indirectly under surveillance of the Chinese Government, as well as surrounded by a large number of spies who were, apparently, afraid to lay hands on him while in the English Settlement. However, he is by this time well on to sea, and if he is wise he will remain at Hongkong until a very decided change has taken place at Peking.—*Mercury.*







## Intimations.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
OMI MARU.....	NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MONDAY, 24th October, at 4 P.M.
KAGOSHIMA MARU.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 28th October, at 4 P.M.
YAMASHIRO MARU.....	THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	FRIDAY, 28th October, at 4 P.M.
KANAGAWA MARU.....	MAKESSEL, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	THURSDAY, 27th October, at 4 P.M.
*KINSHU MARU.....	SEATTLE, WASH., U.S.A. via KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SATURDAY, 5th November, at 4 P.M.
SADO MARU.....	MAKESSEL, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	TUESDAY, 8th November, at 4 P.M.

\*Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

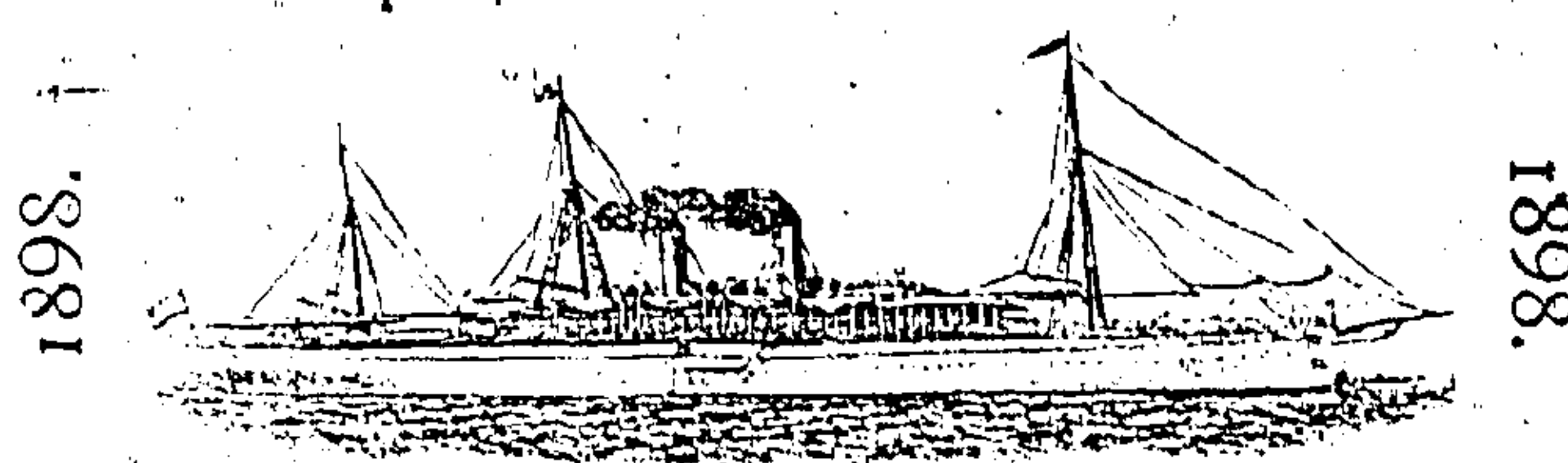
For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1898.

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## CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 26th Oct., 1898.  
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 23rd Nov., 1898.  
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 21st Dec., 1898.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent from the PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

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THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Piddar's Street.

Hongkong, 28th September, 1898.

## Shipping.

## STEAMERS.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

"AUSTRALIAN,"  
Captain Helms, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st October, 1898. [1255]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR HONOLULU.

"TAISANG,"  
Captain Sawyer, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at 1 P.M.  
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 21st October, 1898. [1254]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

"CATHERINE APCAR,"  
Captain J. G. O'Brien, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, 17th October, 1898. [1247]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

"ESMERALDA,"  
Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 5 P.M.  
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, carries a Doctor and is fitted with the Electric Light.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 20th October, 1898. [1261]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

"CHANGSHIA,"  
Captain T. Moore, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 25th instant, at Noon.  
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage.  
A daily qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.  
N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN and AUSTRALIAN S. Co. and vice versa.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.  
Hongkong, 10th October, 1898. [1212]

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA

THE Company's Steamship

"LENNOX,"

Captain Williams, will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 25th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODD, CARLILL &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1898. [1258]

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"JOHN SANDERSON,"

Captain Smith, will be despatched as above on or about the 29th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1898. [1211]

## Shipping.

## STEAMERS.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

"KWEIYANG,"

Captain Outerbridge, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 25th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1898. [1248]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"KWONGSANG,"

Captain W. S. Salk, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 27th instant, at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1898. [1262]

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Rue de la Paix, 15, Avenue Matignon, Paris

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You do not always know the real cause of emaciated tendencies of your babies, or just why your children are thin and pale. You do not need to. What you want is a cure for whatever ails them.

## Scott's Emulsion

is endorsed by the whole medical profession as an ideal nourishment during growth. It contains the essential elements for increasing vitality, giving flesh, and making solid bones. It cures Rickets, Marasmus, and all Wasting Diseases, and makes the children robust, healthy, and full.

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## THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY. THERAPION.

This successful and highly popular remedy, as employed in the Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Rostan, Jobert, Velpeau, and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a medicine of the kind, and surpasses everything hitherto employed.

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THERAPION No. 3, for nervous exhaustion, waste of vitality, and all the distressing consequences arising from early error, excess, residence in hot, unhealthy climates, &c. It possesses surprising power in restoring strength and vigour to the debilitated.

THERAPION may be procured at 2/6 and 4/6 per package, of the principal Chemists and Mechanics throughout the world. In ordering, the purchaser should state which of the three numbers he requires, and observe that the word "THERAPION" appears on the Government Stamp (in white letters on a red ground) affixed to every genuine package by order of Her Majesty's Hon. Commissioners, and without which it is a forgery.

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THE GREAT AUSTRIAN TONIC

OR

PERUVIAN BARK AND IRON.

Over 300 Medical Certificates attesting its great STRENGTH-GIVING PROPERTIES and at the same time being of an

EXQUISITE TASTE.

Sole Agents for Hongkong—

A. S. WATSON & Co.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1896. [137]

## Shipping.

NORTH GERMAN LLOYD.  
(Freight Service.)HAMBURG AMERICA LINE.  
(East Atlantic Service.)

(Taking Cargo at through rates to AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON, OPORTO, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.)

## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight.
NURNBERG.....	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	22nd October	Freight and Passage.
*BABELSBERG.....	HAVRE & HAMBURG	About 7th November	Freight.
ANDALUSIA.....	LONDON, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	About 12th November	Freight.
STOLBERG.....	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 17th November	Freight and Passage.
SAVOIA.....	HAVRE AND HAMBURG	About 25th November	Freight and Passage.

\* These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers and carry a Doctor and a Stewardess.

For further particulars as to Freight, Passage, &c., apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, [1981]

Hongkong, 18th October, 1898.

## Mails.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA, KOBE, AND YOKOHAMA.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA.

IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

\*Olympia... 2,608 | T.H. Dobson... Oct. 23.  
\*Glasgow... 3,750 | J. McGillivray... Nov. 12.  
\*Victoria... 3,167 | J. Truebridge... Dec. 6.  
\*Tacoma... 3,553 | A. Dixon... Dec. 10.

\* Calling at AMOY and SHANGHAI.

ALSO FOR PORTLAND, OREGON, IN CONNECTION WITH OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Monmouthshire... 2,374 | W.A. Evans... Oct. 25.  
Columbia... 2,605 | A. Gow... Nov. 12.  
Lanark... 3,677 | Williamson... Dec. 24.  
Monmouthshire... 2,374 | W.A. Evans... Jan. 24.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line, HONGKONG TO LONDON £47.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Table. Doctor and Stewardess included.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK £41.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA £28.

Rates of Passage to other Ports on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the Freight Agent, Tacoma, Wash., or Portland, Or. (whichever may be the destination of the Steamer).

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information apply to DODD, CARLILL & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1898. [14]

NORDDUTCHER LLOYD.

## NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LOGGERS.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Sachsen... Wednesday | 9th Nov.  
Bayern... Wednesday | 7th Dec.  
Prinz Heinrich... Wednesday | 4th Jan.  
Franken... Wednesday | 1st Feb.  
Sachsen... Wednesday | 1st March.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of Nov., 1898, at 9 A.M., the Company's Steamship "SACHSEN," Captain H. Sumner, with PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 7th November. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY the 8th Nov., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 8th Nov. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 25.00 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1898. [1221]

## SAILING VESSEL.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3.3 L. I. American Bark

"ADOLPH OBRIG,"

Captain Ambury, is ready to take cargo for above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,

Hongkong, 6th September, 1898. [1067]

## Mails.

## THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS.)

## THE Steamship

"PARRAMATTA,"

Captain—C. F. Preston, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1898. [15]

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

## PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 8th Nov., at Noon.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 29th Nov., at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)..... Thursday, 22nd Dec., at Noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

## "CITY OF PEKING,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 8th November, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNITED PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNITED PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. on Monday; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Soledad, Kentucky, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1898. [1]

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